(f) if so, what was the period for which Baralgon Ester was imported ; and

(g) what was the source of import and quantity imported year-wise during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY) (a) to (g) The requisite information, to the extent available, is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

औद्योगिक विकास दर के लिए लक्ष्य

632. **श्री राम जेठमलानी :**
सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा ।

क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि ।

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 1989-90 की प्रथम छमाही के दौरान औद्योगिक विकास की दर निर्धारित लक्ष्य से कम रही ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में क्या लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया था और उक्त अवधि के दौरान वास्तविक विकास की दर क्या रही ;

(ग) क्या सरकार ने अपेक्षित विकास की दर को प्राप्त न करने के कारणों का पता लगाया है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

उद्योग मंत्री (श्री अजीत सिंह)। (क) से (घ) सातवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना में औद्योगिक क्षेत्र में 8 ; से अधिक औसत वार्षिक विकास दर की परिकल्पना की गयी है। केन्द्रीय सांख्यिकीय संगठन से उपलब्ध नवंबर, 1989 तक के औद्योगिक उत्पादन सूचकांक के अनुसार अप्रैल-नवंबर, 1988 की तुलना में अप्रैल-नवंबर, 1989 की अवधि में समग्र विकास दर 5.2 ; बनती है। अप्रैल-नवंबर, 1989 के दौरान प्राप्त 5.2 की विकास दर कुछ अधिक रही होती यदि अवस्थापनापरक अनेक बाधाएं न होती जैसाकि बिजली की कमी; कच्चे माल की कमी, आदेशों का अभाव; अपर्याप्त प्रौद्योगिकीय उन्नयन; इत्यादि।

Indian Patents Act, 1970

643. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the first Patent Act was enacted in 1856 and this was amended in 1911 and repeated in 1970 ;

(b) What were the main reasons for adoption of Patents Act of 1970 and whether these objectives have been fully achieved ;

(c) what were the salient findings of the committee headed by Justice Bakshi Tek Chand and Justice Rajagopala Ayyangar which led to the adoption of Patents Act of 1970;

(d) whether the main idea was to protect and promota industries in India during developmental phase; and

(e) whether Government would set up a watch dog committee with representatives from industry and scientists to ensure smooth functioning and implementation of India Patents Act, 1970?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The main findings of the Patents Enquiry Committee headed by Mr. Justice Bakshi Tek Chand were that the Indian Patent System had failed in its main purpose, namely, to stimulate inventions among Indians and to encourage the development and exploitation of new

inventions for industrial purposes in the country so as to secure the benefits thereof to the largest section of the public. Shri Justice Rajagopala Ayyangar entirely endorsed these findings.

The main reasons for adoption of the Patents Act, 1970, was to correct the above situation.

(e) No, Sir.

Prices of bulk drugs

644. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of bulk drugs and intermediates/chemicals required thereof which are allowed imports at concessional rate of Custom duty;

(b) what is the normal rate of custom duty on bulk drugs and intermediates and what is the concessional rate of duty which is levied when these are imported into the country;

(c) what were the prices of bulk drugs before the announcement of concessional rate of custom duty on penultiates and intermediates going into the production of those drugs and what is the price of each drug at present;

(d) whether it is a fact that the benefit of duty reduction has not been passed on to the consumer in most of the instances;

(e) what are the names of finished medicines based on these drugs where duty reduction has been passed on to consumer; and

(f) what was their earlier price and what is the present price o each ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) The import of bulk drugs and intermediates chemicals is allowed on concessional rate of customs duty, as per the notifications issued by the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance from time to time. The numbers and dates of such notifications are given below;

Sl. No.	Notification No.	Date
1	2	3
1	45-79	1-3-79
2	64-79	1-3-79
3	287/84	5-12-84
4	57/85 (additional duty Nil)	17-3-85
5	89/85	17-3-85
6	77/86	17-2-86
7	179/86 (additional duty Nil)	1-3-86
8	271/86	28-4-86
9	11/86	17-1-86
10	14/88	1-3-88
11	213/88	10-6-88

(b) The normal rates of duties on bulk drugs and intermediates are 105 per cent (60 per cent Basic—45 percent auxiliary) and 115 percent (70 percent basic —45 percent auxiliary) respectively. The concessional rates of customs duty varies, and are shown in the notifications indicated against (a) above.

(c) Various, factors like the cost of raw material, conversion cost wages etc. are taken into account, in addition to the customs duty on the imported raw material for the determination of the prices of bulk drugs.